

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

A. Status of Claims

Claims 1-8, 14-20, and 26-84 were pending when the March 22, 2007 Final Office Action was mailed to Applicants. No new claims are added. Claims 31 and 58 are amended without prejudice or disclaimer to correct two typographical errors. No new matter is added by these amendments. Therefore, claims 1-8, 14-20, and 26-84 are currently pending.

B. Telephonic Interview Summary

Applicants' representative, Mark H. Voges, and Examiner Olson discussed this case by telephone on June 11, 2006. During the Interview, Examiner Olson informed Mr. Voges that the enablement rejection would be withdrawn in view of the arguments made in Applicants' previous response. Examiner Olson also informed Mr. Voges that all of the pending claims in the above captioned application would be allowable upon the filing of terminal disclaimers over U.S. Patent No. 6,645,998 and pending Application No. 10/695,275. Such terminal disclaimers are being submitted with this Response.

If this interview summary is inaccurate in any way, Applicants request that the Examiner inform Applicants as soon as reasonably possible.

C. Double Patenting Rejections

The Action rejects claims 1-8, 14-20, and 26-84 on the ground of nonstatutory obvious-type double patenting over claims 1-16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,645,998. The Action also provisionally rejects claims 1-8, 14-20 and 26-84 over claims 1-65 of copending Application No. 10/695,275. These rejections are moot in light of the terminal disclaimers filed concurrently with this Response; therefore, these rejections should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

This is submitted to be a full and complete response to the March 22, 2007 Final Office Action. The present case is in condition for allowance, and such favorable action is requested.

No fees are believed due in this case; nonetheless, if it is determined that a fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the required amount from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/CLFR:177USD1, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (512) 536-3116 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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